

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
Town of Thornton,
COMPRISING THOSE OF
Selectmen, Treasurer,
AND
School Committee,
FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1887.



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SELECTMEN'S REPORT

THE SELECTMEN OF THE TOWN OF THORNTON CHARGE THEMSELVES
AS FOLLOWS :

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To cash received on town note,	\$ 250 00
of state, for bounties,	48 10
“ literary fund,	113 28
“ savings bank tax,	105 71
Overdrawn on order to pay the Foss notes,	10 00
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	\$527 09

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By cash paid town treasurer,	\$ 527 09
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TOWN AND SCHOOL OFFICERS BILLS.

Frank A. Barnard, services as selectman,	\$ 60 00
Frank D. Lyford, “ “ “	43 40
Alvin F. Houston, “ “ “	39 00
Geo. W. Hackett, “ “ school board,	8 55
Frank Fox, “ “ “	32 00
E. G. Guilford, “ “ “	15 00
J. E. Pattee, “ “ Supervisor,	5 50
John S. Bagley, “ “ “	9 00
John Johnson, “ “ “	13 50
“ “ “ Overseer of poor	25 00
John W. Pattee, “ “ Treasurer,	30 00
John A. Sanborn, “ “ Town and district clerk,	21 00
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	\$301 95

PAID IN NOTES.

Merrill Greeley note,	\$ 217 00
Judith and Mahala Foss notes,	1130 37
Arnold S. Drake note,	255 43
Emily Durgin note,	107 60
Sarah J. Woodbury note,	140 68
Lizzie M. Woodbury note,	6 90
Milton Woodbury note,	17 16
Ida F. Woodbury note,	6 21
Mary E. Richards note,	195 92
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	\$2077 27

SCHOOL MONEY PAID.

George W. Hackett, \$ 464 97

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

Paid John Johnson, services as overseer of the poor, 1885,	\$ 23 00
E. G. Gilford, return of births and deaths,	2 00
W. A. Smith, " " " "	3 50
J. T. Bradley, work on road,	21 36
J. B. Sanborn, books and blanks,	5 91
J. E. Pattee, work on road,	2 50
M. S. Tyrell, " "	2 61
A. A. Strow, " "	19 80
F. A. Barnard, to pay for printing report, for coun- sel, and for blank books, as per bills,	16 75
H. E. Gordon, sheep killed by dogs,	2 50
C. P. Thayer, work on road,	16 66
Philip Hart, work on road,	2 75
C. Shores, care of town house for 1885,	3 00
C. F. Plummer, work on road,	1 62
Frank Steel, " "	5 35
John Colby, sheep killed by dogs,	2 00
H. H. Constantine, work on road,	3 24
J. N. McCoy, services as selectman after March 1, 1886, and for work on road,	24 50
O. F. James, land damage near Mill Brook road,	1 60
J. Parker, sheep killed by dogs,	17 50
B. F. Merrill, " " " and work on road,	14 00
Jonathan Gilman, work on road,	4 40
J. T. Bradley, " "	4 05
C. H. Hall, " "	2 68
C. B. Caldon, " "	7 00
Geo. W. Fifield, " "	9 00
I. H. Wyatt, use of water trough, 1885,	3 00
F. A. Barnard, labor and lumber to pay for Whit- ney bridge, as per bills,	71 42
A. A. Strow, work on road and for spikes,	5 69
John Robie, " "	7 38
L. J. Marden, for plank,	34 03
B. F. Merrill, work on bridge near S. Merrill's,	16 00
A. & H. Merrill, " road,	10 36
Geo. H. Brown, " "	3 00
Willis Sanborn, " "	1 25
F. D. Lyford, expense perambulating line between Thornton and Waterville,	22 12

Paid E. F. Holmes, work on abutment,	9 75
J. T. Bradley, " " road,	5 51
F. L. Hughes, county tax for 1886,	333 79
Sawyer & Marvell, work on road for 1885 & 1886,	28 09
C. H. Bryant, " "	3 00
F. D. Lyford, expense perambulating line between Thornton and Livermore,	16 63
A. Knowles, bounty on bear,	10 00
W. C. Hart, work on road,	1 00
J. W. Morrison & Son, rep. irons for bridge, 1882,	75
Moulton & Watson, for spikes,	44
J. Parker, work on road,	38 00
D. E. Brown, " "	3 45
Solon A. Carter, state tax for 1886,	332 00
F. A. Barnard, work on road,	9 75
E. Titus, " "	5 21
J. Lance, return of births and deaths,	2 25
William Barrett, use of water trough, 1886,	3 00
H. E. Worcester " " "	3 00
Danforth Foss, for lumber,	47 75
J. T. Bradley, work on road,	16 50
O. F. James, lumber and work on road,	10 24
I. Fox, work on road,	5 48
Ira Howland, work on road,	1 15
John Colby, " " use of water trough, 1886,	11 30
P. Fox, for lumber,	6 21
John Sargent, work on road,	3 28
F. D. Lyford, use of water trough, 1886,	2 00
W. T. Snow, work on road,	1 25
Frank Fox, collector for 1884,	50 00
I. B. Campbell, for lumber,	10 31
J. Parker, work on road and sheep killed by dogs,	24 65
W. Moulton, for lumber,	1 26
H. & A. Merrill, work on road,	5 55
W. H. Whitney, " "	10 19
J. Percival, use of water trough, 1886,	3 00
B. F. Merrill, work on road and use of water trough, 1886,	19 05
F. W. Avery, work on road,	25 20
F. W. Downing, " "	5 70
J. W. Pattee, " " and use water trough, '86,	10 87
A. Bowen, work on Gordon bridge, 1885,	7 75
F. A. Barnard, for lumber,	6 00
L. J. Marden, " "	9 00
Merrill Greeley, for collecting, 1885,	50 00

Paid F. D. Lyford, money paid out doing town business,	4 90
F. A. Barnard, " " " " "	11 60
Geo. W. Hackett, work on road,	3 67
John W. Pattee, for guide boards,	5 00
Albert Barnard, for board of selectmen for 1886,	17 85
John Johnson, overseer of poor,	40 00
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	\$1625 86

ASSETS.

In treasurer's hands. March 1, 1887.	\$ 851 91
Due from collector 1880, school tax Dist. No. 1,	16 00
" " 1881 and 1882,	392 94
" " 1883,	77 36
" " 1884,	42 98
" " 1885,	145 34
" " 1886,	2948 32
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	\$ 4474 85

TOWN DEBT.

Due on Town notes,	\$ 65 00
" " bonds	21075 00
" " coupons,	57 50

\$ 21197 50

Deduct assets,	4474 85
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Total debt,	\$ 16722 65
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Taylor fund in town of Thornton,	\$ 1045 67
School " " "	1312 50

Town debt reported March 1, 1886,	\$ 18016 09
" " " " " 1887,	16722 65

Reduction of debt,	\$ 1293 44
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In the selectmen's report of 1884 the collector for that year was not credited with money enough collected by \$260, and in making our report last year we took the figures from the old one, consequently the same mistake was made again. This year we make the correction, and we have also abated \$280 of worthless taxes on collector's books from 1881 to 1885, inclusive, which have been reported as assets.

FRANK A. BARNARD,	} Selectmen of Thornton.
FRANK D. LYFORD,	
ALVIN F. HOUSTON,	

TREASURER'S REPORT.

FROM MARCH 1ST., 1886, TO MARCH 1ST., 1887.

DR. TO CASH.

In treasury, March 1st., 1886,	\$ 723 60
Received of selectmen,	527 09
" " collector for 1883,	90 00
" " " " 1884,	45 00
" " " " 1885,	2802 80
" " " " 1886,	2173 47
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Total cash received,	\$ 6361 96

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Money paid out by order of selectmen.	\$ 4470 05
" " on coupons for the year 1885,	2 50
" " " " " " 1886,	33 75
" " " " " " 1887,	1003 75
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Total cash paid out,	\$5510 05
Money in treasury March 1st., 1887,	851 91
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	\$6361 96

As the preceding report will specify the items for the orders given on the treasurer, it is not expedient for them to be given in this report, as the orders are all on file in the treasurer's office, to which any reference required may be made.

JOHN W. PATTEE, Treasurer.

OVERSEER OF THE POOR'S REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1887.

Money received of the county,	\$344 15
of Samuel Stevens' pension,	64 00
of the town,	40 00
Received of the town, May 8, 1885,	40 00
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	\$488 15

PAID FOR COUNTY PAUPERS.

Paid Samuel Stevens,	\$178 90
Mrs. Samuel Stevens,	72 00
for Eugene Hart,	60 50
Worcester Foss,	54 50
Andrew Corliss,	6 67
Mary Corliss,	7 75
Fisher family,	11 25
John Sargent,	31 75
Sarah J. Cram, town pauper,	40 00
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	\$463 32

Money received,	\$488 15
Money paid out,	463 32
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Money in my hands,	\$24 83

JOHN JOHNSON, Overseer of the Poor.

Having examined the accounts of the Selectmen, Treasurer and Overseer of the Poor of the town of Thornton, for the year ending March 1st, 1887, I find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

JAMES N. McCOY, Auditor.

SCHOOL REPORT.

Fellow citizens of Thornton :

In compliance with the laws of the state we respectfully submit the following report :

No. 1.

One term of school taught by John A. Sanborn ; length of school, nine weeks ; whole number of scholars, nineteen ; average attendance, seventeen. Roll of honor, Wilber S. Gordon, Curtis Ham, Estella J. Foss, Annie M. Thayer, Belle Thayer, Helen L. Shores. This was a No. 1 school taught by an experienced teacher.

No. 2.

One term of nine weeks taught by Miss Flanders. Whole number of scholars, 31 ; average attendance, 27 ;. Roll of honor, Elmer O. Knowles. Miss Flanders is a good teacher.

No. 4.

One term of eight weeks, taught by Miss Affie Russell. Whole number of scholars, 15 ; average attendance, 12. Roll of honor, Josie A. Ham, Georgia M. Ham, Mary A. Carter, Willie A. Ham, Leon G. Straw. Miss Russell, who is in an eminent degree "apt to teach," could impart what she knew to her pupils and infused energy into the whole school. The progress made was consequently good.

No. 5.

First term of eight weeks, taught by Newton Fox. Whole number of scholars, 32 ; average attendance, 29. Roll of honor, Bertha Campbell, Alice L. Fox, Josie Merrill, Hattie Merrill, Daisy Sawyer, Laura Sawyer, Tina Weeks, John Brown, Andrew Corliss, Arthur Sawyer. Second term taught by Newton Fox ; length of school, five weeks ; number of scholars, 30 ; average attendance, 26. Roll of honor, Bertha Avery, Alice Fales, Cora Fales, Daisy Fales, Alice Fox, Daisy Sawyer, Laura Sawyer, Harry Emmons, Willie Emmons, Jessie Kendall, Albert Merrill, Arthur Sawyer. Mr. Fox is an experienced teacher.

No. 6.

One term of school of nine weeks taught by Miss Hattie Morse. Whole number of scholars, 22 ; average attendance, 17. Roll of honor, Johnnie Gillespie, Susie Gillespie, Ned Hackett, Minnie Gillespie, Georgia L. Hackett. The school appeared well and its progress commendable.

No. 7.

One term of eight weeks, taught by Mrs. L. J. Marden ; number of scholars 21, average attendance 14. The few scholars who attended constantly made very good improvement.

No. 8

One term of eight weeks, taught by Miss Nellie Norris ; whole number of scholars 16, average attendance 11. Roll of honor, Mary Drake, Grace Lyford. The scholars made good improvement in all branches and general satisfaction was given.

No. 9.

One term taught by Laura A. Whittemore ; length of school eight weeks, number of scholars 24, average attendance 20. Roll of honor, Harry E. Dimick, Edna D. Elkins, Ada G. Elkins, Rosa Willey, Lizzie M. Fadden, Alice M. Fadden, Etta B. Fadden, Mary Fadden, Addie G. Willey.

No. 11.

One term taught by Laura A. Whittemore ; length of school eight weeks, number of scholars 28, average attendance 19. Roll of honor, Mary E. Dimick, Edna D. Elkins, Ada G. Elkins, Rosa M. Willey, Lizzie M. Fadden, Alice M. Fadden, Etta Fadden, Mary Fadden, Addie G. Willey. Both schools made good improvement.

No. 12.

One term of eight weeks taught by D. O. Hanson ; whole number of scholars 25, average attendance 17. Roll of honor, Welman Brown, Frank Merrill, E. J. Bradley, L. W. Bradley, Jennie Merrill. This was a fair school.

GEO. W. HACKETT, } School Board of
FRANK FOX, } Thornton.

Thornton, Feb. 21, 1887.

